

INDUSTRIAL ACCIDENT STATISTICS, QUEENSLAND, SEPTEMBER QUARTER 1967

Details of industrial accidents are extracted from claims for workers' compensation finalised or becoming three years old during the quarter. They do not refer to accidents actually occurring within the period.

The Workers' Compensation Department of the Queensland State Government Insurance Office is the only body authorised under the provisions of "The Workers' Compensation Acts, 1916 to 1966" to issue industrial accident policies in Queensland. Claims made on this Department are therefore the sole source of information on compensative industrial accidents.

However, while all employers must insure their employees, not all industrial accidents are covered since, under the Compensation Acts, self-employed persons are not obliged to insure and hence a number of accidents to workers in primary industry, the professions, etc. are not recorded. Similarly, members of the Police Force and the Commonwealth Public Service, including the P.M.G.'s Department, are excluded by the provisions of the Act and coverage is thereby restricted in the administrative and communications industries.

By definition, the scope of the collection is limited to include only those injured employees who lost at least a full shift from work as a result of the accident. This publication excludes particulars of accidents occurring during recess periods or on the journey to or from work and of occupational diseases which are published annually only.

Definitions

An Industrial Accident is defined as any compensated work injury or a compensated occupational disease causing death or permanent disability, or the temporary disability of the injured person during the entire interval corresponding to the hours of his or her regular shift on any one or more calendar days subsequent to the date of the injury. Details of work injuries only are given in the following tables.

Fatal injuries are so classified regardless of the time intervening between injury and death, providing that death occurs within three years of the intimation of the claim.

Permanent Disability is an injury or disease which does not cause death but which results in the complete loss or loss of use of any member or part of a member of the body, or any permanent impairment of functions of the body or part thereof.

Temporary Disability is any injury which does not result in death or permanent impairment, but which renders the injured person unable to perform a regularly established job during the entire time interval corresponding to the hours of a full, regular shift.

Agency Related to the Accident is the agency (i.e., work conditions, production equipment, or persons, animals, etc.) which because of its hazardous nature or condition precipitated the event designated as the accident.

Type of Accident is the event which directly resulted in the injury (i.e., the manner in which contact was made between the injured person and the object or substance causing the injury).

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**Table 1 - Work Injuries: Occupation Group by Extent of Disability and Duration of Temporary Disability,
September Quarter 1967**

Occupation Group	All In- juries	Extent of Disability			Duration of Temporary Disability								
		Fatal	Perm- anent	Tem- porary	1 Day to 7 Days	Over 7 to 14 Days	Over 2 to 4 Weeks	1 to 6 Months	Over 6 Months	Days Lost			
										Total	Average		
Males													
TOTAL	10,435	21	290	10,124	3,851	2,792	1,831	1,570	80	194,300	19.2		
Professional, Managerial, Clerical Workers ..	128	-	6	122	35	33	23	29	2	2,995	24.5		
Salesmen	139	1	2	136	42	29	26	38	1	3,707	27.3		
Farmers, Fishermen, Timber- getters	954	4	52	898	183	270	222	212	11	22,719	25.3		
Miners and Quarrymen ..	331	1	12	318	110	82	70	54	2	6,261	19.7		
Road Transport Workers ..	549	7	13	529	176	146	96	101	10	12,681	24.0		
Electricians and Related Electrical Workers ..	144	-	5	139	69	36	16	18	-	2,056	14.8		
Metal Tradesmen, Process Workers	2,237	2	50	2,185	1,136	497	308	234	10	32,383	14.8		
Carpenters and Other Wood- working Occupations ..	901	1	45	855	316	229	164	138	8	16,836	19.7		
Painters and Decorators ..	145	-	2	143	53	33	25	27	5	4,082	28.5		
Bricklayers and Other Construction Workers ..	430	1	8	421	151	119	83	61	7	9,441	22.4		
Food and Beverage Workers Excavating, Lifting Equipment Operators	942	1	15	926	363	339	138	84	2	13,296	14.4		
Waterside Workers, Freight Handlers	374	-	12	362	126	96	64	69	7	8,798	24.3		
Labourers n.e.i.	535	-	9	526	189	140	98	97	2	10,067	19.1		
Service, Sport, and Recreation Workers	1,882	2	36	1,844	644	561	360	272	7	33,952	18.4		
Other Occupations ..	218	-	4	214	61	58	40	52	3	5,488	25.6		
	526	1	19	506	197	124	98	84	3	9,538	18.8		
Females													
TOTAL	906	-	9	897	354	262	170	108	3	14,788	16.5		
Professional, Managerial, Clerical Workers ..	87	-	1	86	36	23	14	12	1	1,868	21.7		
Sales Workers	78	-	-	78	38	22	13	5	-	910	11.7		
Tailors, Cutters, Machinists, etc.	41	-	-	41	20	12	6	2	1	749	18.3		
Textile, Footwear, and Other Leather Workers ..	18	-	-	18	9	3	5	1	-	206	11.4		
Metal Process Workers ..	35	-	-	35	15	11	3	6	-	521	14.9		
Food and Beverage Workers Other Production Process Workers n.e.i.	140	-	1	139	58	40	30	11	-	1,922	13.8		
Packers, Labellers, etc. ..	39	-	1	38	17	12	7	2	-	408	10.7		
Service Industry and Recreation Workers	166	-	1	165	70	57	26	12	-	2,168	13.1		
Other Occupations ..	266	-	5	261	83	72	57	48	1	5,214	20.0		
	36	-	-	36	8	10	9	9	-	822	22.8		

Table 2 - Work Injuries: Occupation Group by Nature of Injury, September Quarter 1967

Occupation Group	All Injuries	Nature of Injury									
		Fractures, Dislocations	Sprains, Strains	Internal Injuries	Amputations	Lacerations, Open Wounds	Superficial Injuries	Contusions, Bruisings	Burns, Scalds	Other Injuries	
Males											
TOTAL	10,435	1,250	2,824	26	140	2,862	837	1,615	409	472	
Professional, Managerial, Clerical Workers ..	128	26	40	1	4	26	6	9	8	8	
Salesmen	139	24	48	3	1	25	3	22	3	10	
Farmers, Fishermen, Timber- getters	954	163	231	2	26	312	57	116	15	32	
Miners and Quarrymen ..	331	55	87	-	7	70	24	75	7	6	
Road Transport Workers ..	549	88	202	5	3	85	23	96	13	34	
Electricians and Related Electrical Workers ..	144	18	40	-	4	40	9	21	7	5	
Metal Tradesmen, Process Workers	2,237	214	515	3	26	542	299	348	168	122	
Carpenters and Other Wood- working Occupations ..	901	111	238	3	26	301	60	118	12	32	
Painters and Decorators ..	145	29	43	2	-	27	12	22	4	6	
Bricklayers and Other Construction Workers ..	430	51	143	1	2	111	33	50	10	29	
Food and Beverage Workers	942	51	145	1	5	533	77	86	22	22	
Excavating, Lifting Equipment Operators	374	65	107	-	5	71	28	58	21	19	
Waterside Workers, Freight Handlers	535	66	211	-	3	75	16	130	6	28	
Labourers n.e.i. ..	1,882	186	536	1	16	522	153	313	77	78	
Service, Sport, and Recreation Workers	218	38	74	1	2	33	8	37	11	14	
Other Occupations ..	526	65	164	3	10	89	29	114	25	27	
Females											
TOTAL	906	85	293	2	3	250	60	154	32	27	
Professional, Managerial, Clerical Workers ..	87	17	35	-	-	12	2	13	5	3	
Sales Workers ..	78	5	29	-	-	19	3	17	3	2	
Tailors, Cutters, Machinists, etc.	41	4	7	-	-	24	1	4	-	1	
Textile, Footwear, and Other Leather Workers ..	18	-	8	-	-	4	-	4	1	1	
Metal Process Workers ..	35	4	15	-	-	10	2	3	-	1	
Food and Beverage Workers	140	3	38	-	1	58	15	21	1	3	
Other Production Process Workers n.e.i. ..	39	1	8	-	1	14	3	10	1	1	
Packers, Labellers, etc. ..	166	7	59	-	-	43	21	27	2	7	
Service Industry and Recreation Workers	266	35	85	2	1	59	12	46	19	7	
Other Occupations ..	36	9	9	-	-	7	1	9	-	1	

Table 3 - Work Injuries: Industry Group by Type of Accident, September Quarter 1967

Industry Group	All Injuries	Type of Accident									
		Falls of Persons	Struck by Falling Objects	Striking or Struck by Objects	Caught in or between Objects	Over-exertion or Strenuous Movement	Extreme Temperatures	Electric Current	Harmful Substances or Radiation	Other Types	
Males											
TOTAL	10,435	2,099	1,056	3,858	882	1,799	285	4	159	293	
Primary Production ..	896	209	57	392	87	106	13	-	3	29	
Mining and Quarrying ..	388	78	91	93	55	55	4	-	4	8	
Cement, Bricks, Glass, etc.	215	55	33	47	23	44	2	-	6	5	
Metal Refining and Products	617	77	65	235	52	92	49	-	33	14	
Machinery & General Engineering	1,206	158	161	499	93	178	56	-	43	18	
Meat and Fish Processing ..	1,199	153	80	749	38	106	37	-	4	32	
Other Food & Drink Processing	478	101	48	166	50	77	18	1	9	8	
Sawmilling and Wood Products	489	65	59	201	71	87	3	-	1	2	
Preparation of Skins and Leather Goods Manufacturing	36	12	3	10	3	4	-	-	2	2	
Rubber Goods Manufacturing	59	4	7	16	6	22	2	-	-	2	
Other Manufacturing ..	196	34	14	58	25	47	7	1	5	5	
Electricity and Gas ..	144	31	13	46	7	36	4	1	2	4	
Water Supply and Sewerage	156	49	14	37	13	36	-	-	1	6	
Building Construction, Repairs	1,051	242	113	351	54	222	21	1	13	34	
Other Construction Works ..	1,167	252	120	367	118	235	29	-	12	34	
Road Transport ..	370	109	46	75	27	76	6	-	2	29	
Other Transport and Storage	512	188	40	109	62	90	9	-	4	10	
Commerce and Finance ..	911	184	76	305	66	212	18	-	12	38	
Community and Business Services	170	45	10	45	11	46	5	-	-	8	
Amusement and Personal Services	156	48	6	49	19	25	2	-	3	4	
Other Industries ..	19	5	-	8	2	3	-	-	-	1	
Females											
TOTAL	906	240	54	313	63	169	26	2	3	36	
Primary Production ..	34	15	1	8	3	5	1	-	-	1	
Metal Refining and Products, General Engineering ..	39	5	5	8	6	13	-	-	-	2	
Textile Manufacturing ..	22	3	3	6	5	4	1	-	-	-	
Clothing Manufacturing ..	34	9	-	20	3	2	-	-	-	-	
Meat and Fish Processing ..	208	23	8	118	6	40	1	-	1	11	
Jam Making, Fruit and Vegetable Canning	37	13	1	12	-	3	-	-	-	8	
Other Food & Drink Processing	53	11	7	14	6	11	1	-	-	3	
Printing, Packaging, etc. Manufacturing ..	18	3	2	6	3	4	-	-	-	-	
Other Manufacturing ..	34	3	1	17	6	5	1	-	-	1	
Commerce and Finance ..	118	44	9	28	6	25	3	1	-	2	
Health, Hospitals, etc. ..	117	36	8	23	9	29	7	1	1	3	
Other Community etc. Services	45	18	2	7	5	9	-	-	1	3	
Hotels, Boarding Houses, Restaurants, etc. ..	111	45	4	36	4	13	9	-	-	-	
Amusement and Other Personal Services	23	7	2	5	1	4	2	-	-	2	
Other Industries ..	13	5	1	5	-	2	-	-	-	-	

Table 4 - Work Injuries: Industry Group by Agency Related to Accident, September Quarter 1967

Industry Group	All Injuries	Agency Related to Accident									
		Metal and Woodworking Machines	Other Machines and Installed Equipment	Lifting Equipment	Hand Tools, Moveable Equipment	Means of Transport	Materials, Substances, and Radiation	Indoor Working Environment	Outdoor and Underground Environment	Other Agencies	
Males											
TOTAL	10,435	385	529	165	2,205	882	332	775	1,133	4,029	
Primary Production ..	896	17	82	4	152	65	15	18	195	348	
Mining and Quarrying ..	388	3	42	2	52	42	13	11	95	128	
Cement, Bricks, Glass, etc.	215	4	13	4	18	18	6	36	16	100	
Metal Refining and Products	617	71	12	12	154	21	48	53	16	230	
Machinery & General Engineering	1,206	123	30	27	348	53	56	85	52	432	
Meat and Fish Processing ..	1,199	4	28	6	534	33	23	156	19	396	
Other Food & Drink Processing	478	11	49	7	70	41	21	73	19	187	
Sawmilling and Wood Products	489	82	9	10	40	29	7	30	29	253	
Preparation of Skins and Leather											
Goods Manufacturing ..	36	-	4	1	3	2	3	9	1	13	
Rubber Goods Manufacturing	59	1	7	-	8	5	2	5	-	31	
Other Manufacturing ..	196	5	37	1	22	13	9	28	5	76	
Electricity and Gas ..	144	4	13	1	32	11	3	10	17	53	
Water Supply and Sewerage	156	1	7	1	18	11	3	5	45	65	
Building Construction & Repairs	1,051	31	27	13	312	37	30	51	150	400	
Other Construction Works ..	1,167	14	83	24	198	118	40	11	220	459	
Road Transport ..	370	1	13	9	15	100	5	16	54	157	
Other Transport and Storage	512	2	4	21	30	143	16	39	91	166	
Commerce and Finance ..	911	9	34	21	160	116	24	95	67	385	
Community and Business Services	170	2	19	1	14	15	5	25	24	65	
Amusement and Personal Services	156	-	14	-	20	7	3	14	17	81	
Other Industries ..	19	-	2	-	5	2	-	5	1	4	
Females											
TOTAL	906	12	76	1	126	41	24	231	33	362	
Primary Production ..	34	-	-	-	4	4	1	3	8	14	
Metal Refining and Products,											
General Engineering ..	39	7	1	-	2	3	-	3	-	23	
Textile Manufacturing ..	22	-	7	-	-	1	1	4	-	9	
Clothing Manufacturing ..	34	-	13	-	4	2	-	5	2	8	
Meat and Fish Processing ..	208	-	12	-	68	4	3	25	1	95	
Jam Making, Fruit and											
Vegetable Canning ..	37	-	-	-	6	1	-	15	1	14	
Other Food & Drink Processing	53	-	7	-	3	4	2	13	-	24	
Printing, Packaging, etc.											
Manufacturing ..	18	-	3	-	2	-	-	4	-	9	
Other Manufacturing ..	34	5	2	1	4	3	1	2	1	15	
Commerce and Finance ..	118	-	8	-	9	7	1	38	2	53	
Health, Hospitals, etc. ..	117	-	8	-	9	2	6	39	6	47	
Other Community etc. Services	45	-	4	-	1	4	1	17	5	13	
Hotels, Boarding Houses, Cafes	111	-	7	-	12	2	7	48	6	29	
Amusement, Other Personal Serv.	23	-	3	-	1	3	1	7	-	8	
Other Industries ..	13	-	1	-	1	1	-	8	1	1	

Table 5 - Work Injuries: Type of Accident by Nature of Injury, September Quarter 1967

Type of Accident	All Injuries	Nature of Injury									
		Fractures, Dislocations	Sprains, Strains	Internal Injuries	Amputations	Lacerations, Open Wounds	Superficial Injuries	Contusions, Bruisings	Burns, Scalds	Other Injuries	
Total Persons											
TOTAL	11,341	1,335	3,117	28	143	3,112	897	1,769	441	499	
Falls of Persons ..	2,339	442	1,064	7	8	211	55	460	2	90	
Struck by Falling Objects	1,110	295	76	-	12	251	47	408	8	13	
Stepping on, Striking or Struck by Objects ..	4,171	282	172	5	48	2,270	710	569	66	49	
Caught in or between Objects	945	215	47	2	72	313	21	266	-	9	
Over-exertion or Strenuous Movement	1,968	46	1,689	6	-	6	-	28	-	193	
Exposure to or Contact with Extreme Temperature ..	311	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	305	5	
Exposure to or Contact with Electric Current ..	6	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	5	
Exposure to or Contact with Harmful Substances ..	162	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	57	104	
Traffic Accidents ..	121	45	13	7	-	21	4	25	-	6	
Other Types ..	208	10	56	1	1	40	59	13	3	25	